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IN RE APPLICATION OF

SALONIUS ET AL.

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FOR: VACCINE AGAINST SALMONID RICKETTSIAL SEPTICAEMIA

BASED ON ARTHROBACTER CELLS

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Second Preliminary Amendment is being filed prior to the first Office Action.

Below are Amendments to the Claims and Amendments to the Specification, followed by Remarks.